REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 55-64 are active. Composition claims 36-54 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added.

Interview Summary Record

The Applicants express their gratitude to Examiners Li and Zachariah for the courteous and helpful interview of August 24, 2010. The Applicants pointed out support for the various claim limitations and believe agreement was reached with regard to removal of the new matter and prior art rejections. The Examiners indicated that the composition claims, though free of the prior art, might be rejected for lack of utility. The Applicants pointed out that the compositions at least had utility in the claimed methods. No agreement was reached on this point.

Rejection—35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 36-54 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing new matter. This issue is now moot since this rejection has been withdrawn as indicated in the Interview Summary.

Prior Art Rejections Based on Hardy

The remaining prior art rejections, which were all based on Hardy, et al., Virology 217:252, have been withdrawn (see Interview Summary).

Conclusion

In view of the amendments and remarks above, the Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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